

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE
BOARD OF PSYCHOLOGY**
November 20, 2015

These minutes were
approved by the Board
on 1/15/2016

ORAL EXAMINATION ADMINISTRATION 10 am to 11am

The following candidates were administered the examination and received a passing score:

Brown, Christa
Ober, Kristin
Weeks, Justin

1. ROLL CALL

The meeting of the Board of Psychology was called to order by the Chair, Dr. Carver, at 11:17 a.m. in the Board Room, Country Inn & Suites, 5353 N 27th Street, Lincoln, Nebraska. Copies of the agenda were mailed to the Board members and other interested parties in accordance with the Open Meetings Law. The following members answered the roll call:

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| <u>MEMBERS</u> David Carver, PhD John Curran, PhD Mary Fran Flood, PhD Jerry Van Winkle, PsyD Mark Weilage, PhD | <u>BOARD REPRESENTATION</u> Chair Member Member Secretary Vice-Chair |
| <u>OTHERS PRESENT</u> Kris Chiles Nancy Herdman Julie Agena Larry Wiehn Russ Fosler | <u>AGENCY REPRESENTATION</u> Licensure Unit Licensure Unit Assistant Attorney General Investigations Investigations |

2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

MOTION: Curran moved, seconded by Weilage, to adopt the agenda. A roll call vote was taken. Voting aye: Carver, Curran, Flood, Weilage, Van Winkle (5). Voting nay: None (0). Absent: None (0). Motion carried.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES (9-18-15)

MOTION: Weilage moved, seconded by Van Winkle, to approve the minutes of 9-18-15. A roll call vote was taken. Voting aye: Carver, Curran, Flood, Van Winkle, Weilage (5). Voting nay: None (0). Abstain: None (0). Absent: None (0). Motion carried.

4. INVESTIGATIVE REPORTS AND OTHER CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION – CLOSED SESSION

MOTION: Curran moved, seconded by Weilage, to enter into closed session at 11:09 a.m. Carver announced that the purpose was to hear discussions of an investigative/confidential nature and for the prevention of needless injury to the reputation of the individuals. A roll call vote was taken. Voting aye: Carver, Curran, Flood, Van Winkle, Weilage (5). Voting nay: None (0). Absent: None (0). Motion carried.

11:21 a.m. - Flood departed meeting (conflict)
11:27 a.m. - Van Winkle departed meeting (conflict)
11:32 a.m. - Fosler and Wiehn departed meeting
Flood and Van Winkle entered meeting
11:35 a.m. - Carver departed meeting
11:37 a.m. - Carver entered meeting
12:08 a.m. - Agena departed meeting

MOTION: Curran moved, seconded by Weilage, to enter into open session at 12:09 p.m. A roll call vote was taken. Voting aye: Carver, Curran, Flood, Van Winkle, Weilage (5). Voting nay: None (0). Voting abstain: None (0). Absent: None (0). Motion carried.

5. REVIEW AND RECOMMENDATIONS – OPEN SESSION

a. Applications, Education and Reinstatements

Chiles stated there were no applications for review.

Curran reported he had reviewed four applications for equivalency with three for the internship only and one for the internship and the education program. He stated all were deemed equivalent to APA. Curran commented he was currently conducting an equivalency review and that he would be forwarding Chiles his decision.

With Curran's term on the Board expiring, Weilage agreed to do the education/internship equivalency reviews. Curran stated he would be willing to provide guidance and assistance to Weilage as needed. Chiles suggested creating an Advisory Education Committee consisting of Weilage and Curran to formalize Curran's role as a non-Board member in doing the equivalency reviews. Applications needing equivalency reviews will be forwarded to both Weilage and Curran for a decision.

MOTION: Van Winkle moved, seconded by Flood, to create an Advisory Education Committee. A roll call vote was taken. Voting aye: Carver, Curran, Flood, Van Winkle, Weilage (5). Voting nay: None (0). Voting abstain: None (0). Absent: None (0). Motion carried.

12:35 p.m. - Curran departed meeting
12:37 p.m. - Curran entered meeting

6. NEW BUSINESS

a. Correspondence

• Association of State and Provincial Psychology Boards

Carver stated he attended the ASPPB meeting in October at Tempe, Arizona. He reported on three areas of discussion at the meeting:

1. Plus Program – This is a program where ASPPB will take responsibility for gathering credentialing documents for individuals. States can elect to join the program.
2. Tele-Psychology Compact – Carver commented that ASPPB is suggesting that passing legislation in each state is the way to proceed. He commented so far 6-7 states have expressed an interest in pursuing this and the compact would apply to only states who join. He stated candidates would have to go through another ASPPB application in addition to holding a state license.
3. Implement a Second Examination – This would be an examination that would be more skill based but still would be a written examination. The members questioned the need for another examination and whether it would be reliable and actually reflect clinical skills. Carver and other members stated that perhaps the current examination could be updated to reflect knowledge and clinical skills rather than create another examination. Carver reported he had made comments at ASPPB expressing his concerns about creating a second examination.

12:45 p.m. - Weilage departed meeting
12:47 p.m. - Weilage entered meeting

- **American Psychological Association**

Carver reported the military had issued a response to the Hoffman report. Flood stated she had a copy of that response and would forward it to Chiles for distribution to the Board members. Carver stated there had not been any further correspondence regarding the settlement on the lawsuit filed against APA for billing psychologist members a practice assessment.

- **Nebraska Psychological Association**

Carver reported there was a workshop on the 'Insurance Trust' in October. He commented plans had not be finalized for the spring training.

b. Select 2016 Meeting Dates (Suggested: 1-15, 3-18, 5-20, 7-15, 9-16, 11-18)

The Board agreed to the 2016 meeting dates of 1-15, 3-18, 5-20, 7-15, 9-16 and 11-18.

c. Other

Chiles acknowledged Mary Fran Flood as a new member who was in attendance at today's meeting. The new members are:

Mary Fran Flood, PhD – term begins immediately with appointment thru November 30, 2019

Stephanie Bruhn, PhD – December 1, 2015 thru November 30, 2020

Karen Billingsley (public member) – term begins immediately with appointment thru November 30, 2019

6. UPDATES/REPORTS

- **Rules and Regulations**

There was no update available.

- **Justice Behavioral Health Committee**

Carver reported the next meeting would be December 9, 2015.

- **Licensure and Examination Statistics / Administrative Penalties**

Chiles reported the following for the period beginning January 1, 2015:

Examination statistics

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| EPPP | 12 passed, 5 failed |
| Board exam | 21 passed |

License statistics

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| 30 day temporary practice | 4 |
| Provisional Psychologist | 36 |
| Psychological Assistant | 99 |
| Psychologist | 510 |
| Psychologist Associate | 1 |
| Special Psychologist | 7 |

- **Disciplinary and Non-Disciplinary Action Reports**

Chiles reported that since January 1, 2015, there had been 1 suspension, 2 non-assurance of compliance and 1 voluntary surrender. The list was distributed to the members.

8. SERVICE RECOGNITION: JOHN CURRAN (10 YEARS)

Carver presented Curran with a plaque and certificate in recognition of years of service on the Board. Carver thanked him for his contributions including all of his extra work in conducting application education and internship equivalency reviews.

9. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: Curran moved, seconded by Weilage, to adjourn. A roll call vote was taken. Voting aye: Carver, Curran, Flood, Van Winkle, Weilage (5). Voting nay: None (0). Voting abstain: None (0). Absent: None (0). Motion carried.

There being no further business, the meeting of the Board of Psychology adjourned at 1:01 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jerry Van Winkle, PsyD, Secretary
Board of Psychology

**Next Meeting:
January 15, 2016**

Summarized by: Nancy Herdman, Health Licensing Coordinator – Licensure Unit